

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 STATE 160775
ORIGIN EUR-01

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 ONY-00 /002 R

DRAFTED BY EUR/RPM:CHTHOMAS:LA
APPROVED BY EUR/RPM:SJLEDOGAR
EUR/WE:MCLISSFELT (DRAFT)
DESIRED DISTRIBUTION
EUR/RPM (ONE COPY ONLY)
-----033736 232310Z /61
P 232205Z JUN 78
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
TO AMEMBASSY PARIS PRIORITY
USMISSION USNATO

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE STATE 160775

STADIS/////////
FOR GAMMON AND GLITMAN FROM LEDOGAR

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. DOD/ISA STUDY PROPOSAL: DOD/ISA PROPOSES TO CONTRACT FOR AN UNCLASSIFIED EXTERNAL RESEARCH STUDY OF "FRENCH INTEREST IN LTDP." THE STUDY IS DESCRIBED BELOW IN PARA 3. WE BELIEVE THERE MAY BE VALUE IN AN INVESTIGATION OF THIS NATURE AND ARE INCLINED TO APPROVE THE PROPOSAL. AT THE SAME TIME, WE ARE CONCERNED ABOUT POSSIBLE EFFECTS ON FRENCH GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC ATTITUDES TOWARD COOPERATION WITH NATO IF THE STUDY SHOULD ATTRACT ATTENTION.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 STATE 160775

2. REQUEST FOR MISSIONS' EVALUATION: WE WOULD APPRECIATE YOUR EVALUATION OF (A) THE FEASIBILITY OF CARRYING OUT THE STUDY WITHOUT ATTRACTING MEDIA OR OTHER INTEREST AND (B) YOUR INFORMAL ASSESSMENT OF THE POSSIBLE HARM THAT MIGHT ENSUE IF THE STUDY DID BECOME AN ISSUE IN THE PRESS OR GOF. IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO HAVE A REPLY BY JUNE 27.

3. DOD/ISA DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT PROPOSAL:

BEGIN TEXT: (A) THIS PROJECT PROPOSES TO EVALUATE THE FRENCH CONTRIBUTION TO, AND ATTITUDES TOWARD, THE

COMPONENTS OF NATO'S LONG TERM DEFENSE PROGRAM AND HOW THE IMPROVEMENT OF THESE COMPONENTS RELATE TO FRENCH DEFENSE POLICY. THE STUDY WILL ANALYZE FRENCH PERSPECTIVES ON THE LTDP AS IT PERTAINS TO THE ROLE OF THEIR ARMS INDUSTRY. THE PROJECT ALSO PROPOSES TO PROVIDE A SET OF GUIDELINES AND RELIABLE INDICATORS OF FRENCH BEHAVIOR ON LTDP-RELATED DEFENSE MATTERS IN THE BELIEF THAT A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE FRENCH MAY INCREASE THEIR COOPERATION IN THE LTDP'S ACTION AREAS AND DRAW FRANCE CLOSER TO THE ALLIANCE.

(B) CONTRACTOR: SCIENCE APPLICATIONS, INC., 8400 WEST-PARK DRIVE, MCLEAN, VIRGINIA 22101.

ESTIMATED COST: DOLLARS 80,399.

PRINCIPAL RESEARCHERS: CARL F. BERNARD, WILLIAM B. DEGRAF, E.C. MICHAEL HIGGINS, AND CHRISTOPHER J. MAKINS.

(C) THE GENERAL HYPOTHESIS OF THE STUDY IS THAT, ALTHOUGH DIFFERENCES OF DOCTRINES AND POLICIES EXIST BETWEEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 03 STATE 160775

FRANCE AND THE NATO ALLIANCE, FRENCH INVOLVEMENT WITH COMPONENTS OF THE LTDP IS INEVITABLE AND SHOULD BE ACCOMMODATED BY THE ALLIANCE. IN ORDER TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THESE OPPORTUNITIES, IT IS NECESSARY TO UNDERSTAND THE FRENCH PERSPECTIVE ON DEFENSE COOPERATION. SCIENCE APPLICATIONS, INC. PROPOSES TO PROVIDE THIS PERSPECTIVE BY ANALYZING THE LTDP REPORTS ON ARMAMENTS AND DETERMINING THE AMOUNT OF FRENCH INPUT AND INTEREST, STUDYING FRENCH DEFENSE POLICY AS EVIDENCED BY DECLARATIONS, FORCE STRUCTURE, ARMAMENT, TRAINING AND EXERCISES, SCRUTINIZING THE FRENCH BEHAVIOR AND ATTITUDES ON DEFENSE COOPERATION. THE PROJECT IS SCHEDULED TO BE PERFORMED OVER AN ELEVEN MONTH PERIOD STARTING 1 JULY 1978.

(D) THE PROJECT INVOLVES APPROXIMATELY 3 1/2 MONTHS OF RESEARCH TO BE CONDUCTED IN FRANCE BY MR. CARL BERNARD, THE PRINCIPAL INVESTIGATOR. MR. BERNARD WILL BE ASSISTED OVERSEAS BY GEN. LUCIEN POIRIER (C.R.) OF THE FONDATION POUR LES ETUDES DE DEFENSE NATIONALE IN PARIS; MR. PETER BLUMENTHAL, A FORMER U.S. ARMY OFFICER NOW RESIDING IN BRUSSELS; MR. LOTHAR RUEHL, A CORRESPONDENT LIVING IN

BRUSSELS, AND MR. CHRISTOPHER MAKINS; DIRECTOR OF THE WESTERN EUROPEAN TRENDS PROGRAMS AT THE CARNEGIE ENDOWMENT. INTERVIEWS WITH FOREIGN NATIONALS WILL BE HANDLED PRIMARILY BY MR. BERNARD. OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PROJECT TEAM, HOWEVER, MAY ALSO CONDUCT INTERVIEWS WITH

FOREIGN NATIONALS, EITHER IN THE UNITED STATES OR IN EUROPE, AS DEEMED NECESSARY.

(E) INTERIM REPORTS, A MID-TERM BRIEFING, AND A FINAL REPORT AND FINAL BRIEFING AT THE END OF THE PROGRAM HAVE BEEN PROPOSED BY SCIENCE APPLICATIONS, INC. THE PROJECT IS BELIEVED TO BE MOST RELEVANT TO THE ADVISOR TO THE SECDEF ON NATO, THE UNDERSCRETARY FOR DEFENSE RESEARCH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 04 STATE 160775

AND ENGINEERING (INTERNATIONAL PROGRAMS OFFICE) AND THE DASD, ISA (EUROPEAN REGION). END TEXT. VANCE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 23 jun 1978
Decaption Date: 20 Mar 2014
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978STATE160775
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: CHTHOMAS:LA
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780263-0060
Format: TEL
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780624/aaaaauxu.tel
Line Count: 138
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 0a481782-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ORIGIN EUR
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: STADIS, ONLY
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: STADIS
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: STADIS, ONLY
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 18 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2222902
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL
TAGS: OGEN
To: PARIS USNATO
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/0a481782-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014